MEMORANDUM FOR DEPUTY SURGEON GENERAL OF THE AIR FORCE

SUBJECT: Appointment of Integrated Program Team Representative for the Federal Employees Health Benefit Program

Your participation is requested in developing the Federal Employees Health Benefit Program (FEHBP) Demonstration. The demonstration program will allow up to 66,000 eligible beneficiaries to enroll in an FEHBP plan.

As the TRICARE Program Executive Officer, I am forming an Integrated Program Team (IPT) comprised of representatives from the services and functional areas within the TRICARE Management Activity (TMA). The IPT shall work collaboratively to address all issues regarding requirement development of the demonstration program.

You are requested to appoint an individual from your Service to serve on this IPT. The individual should have the requisite authority to speak for your functional or operational area considering the project's scope. The IPT begins in November 1998, and expires at the time FEHBP coverage begins. The length of the IPT is estimated to extend approximately fourteen (14) months. It is desired for continuity purposes that the person appointed be able to serve throughout the development of the demonstration program.

In your appointment memorandum, please use language that clearly describes the authority and limitations of authority that the appointed IPT member possesses. Please submit a copy of your appointment memorandum to me by 30 November 1998.

Chief Operating Officer

MEMORANDUM FOR DEPUTY SURGEON GENERAL OF THE ARMY

SUBJECT: Appointment of Integrated Program Team Representative for the TRICARE Senior Supplement Demonstration Program

Your participation is requested in developing the TRICARE Senior Supplement Demonstration Program. The demonstration program will assess the feasibility and advisability of providing medical care coverage under the TRICARE program to Medicare-eligible beneficiaries as a supplement to Medicare.

As the TRICARE Program Executive Officer, I am forming an Integrated Program Team (IPT) comprised of representatives from the Services and functional areas within the TRICARE Management Activity (TMA). The IPT shall work collaboratively to address all issues regarding requirement development of the demonstration program.

You are requested to appoint an individual from your Service to serve on this IPT. The individual should have the requisite authority to speak for your functional or operational area considering the program's scope. Recently, you nominated LTC Joel Bales to be your representative on the IPT for the FEHBP Demonstration Program. Since the TRICARE Senior Supplement Demonstration shares some characteristics with the FEHBP Demonstration, you may wish to nominate the same individual for the new IPT, but the choice is yours.

The IPT begins in January 1999, and expires at the time TRICARE Senior Supplement coverage begins. The length of the IPT is estimated to extend approximately twelve (12) months. It is desired for continuity purposes that the person appointed be able to serve throughout the development of the demonstration program.

Please submit a copy of your appointment memorandum to me by January 4, 1999.

Chief Operating Officer